HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1350 By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Dr. Jerry A. McMillan upon receiving the 2006 Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association Outstanding Practitioner Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly specially recognize those individuals who, through an unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves in their respective fields of expertise; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Dr. Jerry A. McMillan, who recently received the Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association Outstanding Practitioner Award; and

WHEREAS, Jerry McMillan has served as a veterinarian with the utmost acumen and alacrity for the past twenty-nine years, earning the respect of his colleagues and the members of his community for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, born in Kingfisher, Oklahoma, Jerry McMillan graduated from Franklin-Simpson High School in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, after attending Middle Tennessee State University for three years, Jerry McMillan was accepted at Auburn University School of Veterinary Medicine and graduated with a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1977; and

WHEREAS, in 1983, Dr. McMillan opened his own veterinary practice, McMillan Veterinary Clinic (MVC), and today, MVC employs one associate veterinarian and twelve paraprofessionals; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Dr. McMillan has received the Lion of the Year Award, the Otis Kemp Award, and the Melvin Jones Fellowship of Lions International; and

WHEREAS, donating his time and talents to numerous professional and civic organizations and activities, Dr. McMillan is an active member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association (TVMA), the Veterinary Laser Society, Auburn University Centennial Club, the Nashville Pet Emergency Clinic, and the Gallatin Lions Club (President and Treasurer); he also served as Chairperson for the TVMA Nashville Area Peer Review; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Jerry McMillan is an active member of the Gallatin First United Methodist Church, which he has faithfully served for many years; and

WHEREAS, his many professional and civic accomplishments aside, Jerry McMillan is most thankful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife of thirty-two years, Linda, and their marriage has been blessed with four children, Frank, Shannon, Walker, and Lindsay; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jerry McMillan epitomizes the spirit of volunteerism and commitment to excellence that are characteristic of all true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Dr. McMillan has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Dr. Jerry A. McMillan upon receiving the 2006 Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association Outstanding Practitioner Award, commend his dutiful service to the citizens of Tennessee, and wish him every success in all future endeavors

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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